



St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Elementary School

A Love of Christ and a Love of Learning

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Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week 2025 begins on Sunday, May 4, 2025. The Catholic schools in the province will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. As a school we will engage in various celebrations. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

Source: <https://www.ocsta.on.ca/project/we-are-called-to-love/>



Administrator's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The month of April was filled with faith and kindness at St. Vincent de Paul. Our students participated in a wide range of classroom activities. Our Grade 8s had a Graduation Breakfast at Eggsmart on May 2nd. Ms. Grabowski's and Mr. Antoniow's students visited the CN Tower on May 2nd as well.

During the month of April we had a number of school activities including our Spring Has Sprung Market. Thank you to Mrs. Antilope for organizing the event. Our Needs Moderate students participated in the ArtsinME event at Father Goetz..

The month of May is dedicated to Mary. We start the month with Catholic Education Week. Each of our classes have a number of activities that highlight the importance of Catholic Education. We will have a school wide mass on Wednesday May 7, 2025.

We would like to thank Fr. Facey and the entire parish team for their continued support of our school community. They truly are the faith leaders of St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you to Mrs. Antilope for her kind nature in our school office. We would also like to thank our Catholic School Trustee, Mr. Mario Pascucci, for his ongoing support of our school community. Mr. Pascucci is a tireless advocate for Catholic education and St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School. We would also like to thank our Superintendent, Ms. Dulcie Belchior, for her continued support of our school.

On behalf of the staff of St. Vincent de Paul, we would like to wish you all the best.

Your Partner in Catholic Education,
P. Basran

Virtue of the Month: Acceptance



God wants us to accept everyone. We are all created in the image of God.

An accepting person.....

- *Finds meaning, dignity fulfillment and vocation in work which contributes to the common good;
- *Witnesses Catholic social teaching by promoting equality, democracy, and solidarity for a just, peaceful and compassionate society;
- *Respects and affirms the diversity and interdependence of the world's peoples and cultures.

Catholic Education Week



Catholic Education Week takes place each year during the first week of May (May 4 to May 9, 2025).

Our Parish Team

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Fr. Facey and the entire St. Patrick's Parish for another school year of service. We truly appreciate all of their hard work and above all their dedication to the entire St. Vincent de Paul Community. We look forward to their continued spiritual guidance with our staff and students.

The Virtues Initiative

A key aspect of the Board's strategic direction is the continued development of safe, caring, inclusive Catholic school communities. As a Catholic Community, we are called to learn, grow and become more like Jesus. Catholic education provides us the opportunity to integrate the virtues into our students' daily activity. The virtues will be celebrated every month during announcements, in class during discussions, and during the **Living Our Faith Awards** assemblies.

✓ September: Faith	✓ October: Empathy
✓ November: Conscience	✓ December: Hope
✓ January: Self-control	✓ February: Respect
✓ March: Kindness	✓ April: Love
✓ May: Acceptance	✓ June: Fairness

EQAO Dates



Students in Grade 3 and 6 will be writing EQAO. Students in Grade 3 will write May 23, 27, 28 (Make Up Date- June 4).. Students in Grade 6 will write May 30, June 2, June 3 (Make Up Date – June 4).

Student Materials and Lunch

Each student should arrive at school with a full, reusable water bottle along with snacks and lunch each day. If your child forgets their lunch, we will contact you. If children will be going home for lunch, it is our expectation that your child will go directly to their own home and then return to school.

Yard Supervision

Please do not send your child(ren) to school before 8:45 a.m. Staff supervision of students in the playground begins at 8:45 a.m. To ensure your child's safety, we appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

St. Vincent de Paul @ Blue Jays Game



On May 22, students from Grades 4 to 8 will be attending the Toronto Blue Jay game versus the San Diego Padres . It will be an extended day. We will leave school at approximately 11:30 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m. Payment should be

made on School Cash Online.

St. Vincent de Paul continues Online Payments

St. Vincent de Paul and Dufferin-Peel CDSB have a convenient online payment system for purchases related to school (e.g., pizza and lunch orders, field trip costs, etc.). Please register now so that you can use this system in the future.

<https://dpcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>



School Hours

School will begin at **9:00 AM** and conclude at **3:30 PM**.

Lunch Hour: 12:01 PM to 1:01 PM

Morning Recess: 11:06 AM to 11:21 AM

Afternoon Recess: 2:30 PM to 2:45 PM

Kindergarten Registration for September 2025

Kindergarten registration for the 2025-26 school year at Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) schools is currently open. The DPCDSB offers the Kindergarten program in 125 Catholic elementary schools in Mississauga, Brampton, Caledon, Bolton and Orangeville.

Parents/guardians can register online at dpcdsb.org.

Registration is open to Catholic children and children of Catholic parents. Kindergarten students must be at least four (4) years of age by December 31, 2025.

The following documents are required to complete the registration process:

- Proof of age of the child
- Original Roman Catholic baptismal certificate (for child and/or parent/guardian) or original baptismal certificate from a church in full communion with the Holy See of Rome or an Eastern Catholic Church.
- Immunization Reference #'s from the local Public Health Unit
- Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status
- Proof of home address
- Proof of English Separate School Support

Please refer to the [Register for School webpage](#) for accepted forms of documentation.

Inquiries about home school locations/boundary areas should be directed to the DPCDSB Planning Department at 905-890-0708 ext. 24440.

For more information, parents/guardians should contact their local Catholic school, visit the DPCDSB website at dpcdsb.org, or call DPCDSB's Admissions Department at 905-890-1221.



Student Information

It is important that we have up to date records of your address, phone numbers, and emergency contacts in the event that the school must contact you regarding your child. Please inform the office or your child's teacher if any information changes throughout the year.



Council Meeting Date: **Wednesday, May 14, 2025**

Communication between home and school is greatly enhanced by parental involvement with the Catholic School Council. The aim of the Catholic School Council is to promote the vision, values, sacramental life and Catholic practices of the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and the Catholic community it serves and to advise the principal and the Board.

Members of our 2024/2025 St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Council

Co-Chairs – Mrs. Litwinenko and Mrs. Stergiou

Treasurer – Mr. Stergiou

OAPC - Mrs. Piperni

Members - Mrs. Chan; Ms. Botelho

Staff Representatives - Ms. Grabowski; Mr. Antoniow

Custody of Children

On rare occasions, we are faced with difficult situations in which non-custodial parents arrive at school asking to visit their child or to take their child home after school. We are best able to serve and protect students when we are made aware of legal custody arrangements, visitation rights and other special instructions. If legal custody matters affect your family, please ensure that our office and classroom teachers are aware of any custodial arrangements that may affect your child during school hours.

PLASP Child Care Services



PLASP Child Care Services is now accepting registrations for the 2025-2026 school year. Please visit www.plasp.com for registration information.



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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

MAY 4 – MAY 9, 2025